Magnetization and pressures at nonzero magnetic fields in QCD

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Two comments in advance

- renormalization in magnetic fields
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Renormalization in magnetic fields

• thermodynamic potential schematically (1-loop):



 $\log \mathcal{Z}_B = \log \mathcal{Z}_0 + \beta_1 (eB)^2 \log a + c(eB)^4 \cdot \text{finite} + \dots$ $\beta_1 (eB)^2 \log a + \frac{B^2}{2} = \frac{B_r^2}{2}$

- coefficient of $\mathcal{O}(B)^2$ contribution equals the leading coeff of QED β -function [Schwinger '51] \rightarrow background field method [Abbott '81]
- renormalization at $T = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{subtract } \mathcal{O}((eB)^2)$ term from the free energy

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• extensivity of \mathcal{F} in a large homogeneous system

$$\mathcal{F}(L_i, B) = L_x L_y L_z \cdot f(B)$$

$$\mathcal{F}(L_i, \Phi) = L_x L_y L_z \cdot f(\Phi/L_x L_y)$$

• compression with B or Φ constant?

$$p_i^{(B)} = -\frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial \log L_i}, \qquad p_i^{(\Phi)} = -\frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial \log L_i} - \frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial B} \cdot \frac{\partial B}{\partial \log L_i} \bigg|_{\Phi},$$

define B- and Φ-schemes

 $p_{x,y}^{(B)} = p_z^{(B)}, \qquad p_{x,y}^{(\Phi)} = p_z^{(\Phi)} - M \cdot eB$

Magnetization on the lattice

- let's calculate $M \sim \partial \log \mathcal{Z} / \partial B$
- quantization of magnetic flux in a finite volume with periodic boundary conditions ['t Hooft '79]

$$\Phi = eB \cdot L_x L_y = 2\pi N_b, \qquad N_b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

 \Rightarrow B-derivative ill-defined! [DeTar's talk]

- \Rightarrow naturally corresponds to the Φ -scheme
- instead, determine magnetization from

$$p_x - p_z = -M \cdot eB$$

 \rightarrow consider anisotropic lattice $\xi=a/a_{\alpha}$ [Karsch '82]

$$p_{\alpha} = -\xi^2 \frac{T}{V} \frac{\mathrm{d}\log\mathcal{Z}}{\mathrm{d}\xi} \bigg|_a,$$

• p_{α} contains certain components of the action $\rightarrow M \cdot eB$ contains *anisotropies* of the action

Magnetization from anisotropies

• dominant contribution comes from fermions:

$$M \cdot eB \approx \sum_{f} A(\mathcal{C}_{f})$$

• with the fermionic action

$$S = \sum_{f} \bar{\psi}_{f} (\not D + m_{f}) \psi_{f},$$

separating into components

$$\mathcal{C}_{\mu,f} = \bar{\psi}_f \mathcal{D}_{(\mu)} \psi_f$$

building up the anisotropy

$$A(\mathcal{C}_f) = \frac{\left\langle \mathcal{C}_{x,f} \right\rangle + \left\langle \mathcal{C}_{y,f} \right\rangle}{2} - \left\langle \mathcal{C}_{z,f} \right\rangle$$

• see details in [Bali, Bruckmann, GE et al '13]

Magnetization from anisotropies

• charge renormalization for the magnetization

$$M^r \cdot eB = M \cdot eB - (eB)^2 \cdot \lim_{eB \to 0} \frac{M \cdot eB}{(eB)^2}.$$



- QCD vacuum is a paramagnet!
 cf. [Bonati's talk, DeTar's talk]
- comparison with HRG [GE '13]

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• generalized integral method in $\{\beta, m_f, N_b\}$ space: use that B has no effect in pure gauge theory!



$$\log \mathcal{Z}_2 - \log \mathcal{Z}_1 = \int_1^2 \left(\partial_\beta \log \mathcal{Z} \ \partial_{m_f} \log \mathcal{Z} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \mathrm{d}\beta \\ \mathrm{d}m_f \end{pmatrix}$$

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• result: pressure along fixed flux, i.e. fixed eB/T^2 one more interpolation to get $p_z(B,T)$

Comparison of the two methods

• two completely different ways to get $p_z(T,B)$



Summary

- renormalization: $\mathcal{O}(B^2)$ subtraction at T = 0
- distinct pressure definitions: B-scheme (isotropy) vs.
 Φ-scheme (anisotropy)
- *B*-dependence of QCD pressure determined
 - magnetization from lattice anisotropies [arXiv:1303.1328]

 pressure through generalized integral method [preliminary]







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